

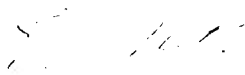
Remarks

Applicants have amended the specification and the claims to provide the ATCC number for SEQ ID NO:1 which was deposited on July 27, 1998. A copy of the ATCC Deposit Receipt is enclosed. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Human Genome Sciences, Inc.
Attn: A. Anders Brookes, Patent Attorney
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Deposited on Behalf of: Human Genome Sciences, Inc.

Identification Reference by Depositor: ATCC Designation

DNA Plasmid PDEF (Ref. Docket PF469.SYN) 203072

The deposits were accompanied by: a scientific description a proposed taxonomic description indicated above. The deposits were received July 27, 1998 by this International Depository Authority and have been accepted.

AT YOUR REQUEST: X We will inform you of requests for the strains for 30 years.

The strains will be made available if a patent office signatory to the Budapest Treaty certifies one's right to receive, or if a U.S. Patent is issued citing the strains, and ATCC is instructed by the United States Patent & Trademark Office or the depositor to release said strains.

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The viability of the cultures cited above was tested August 5, 1998. On that date, the cultures were viable.

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Signature of person having authority to represent ATCC:

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Date: August 7, 1998